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Commodore Gerry Did Not Tear Down His Death Trap, Which Paid Him \$83,000 a Year, Because He Did Not Have To.

and there be no one to blame.

ordinarily reckoned a good citizen. Commo-murderous tinderbox. blind good fortune staved off the day of time burned and mangled bodies before

and he paid the insurance on it, and the pleased. It is improbable that a single one insurance people charged 89 a thousand for of those living at the hotel on Friday would the policy, on the ground that the risk was have been there if the fire chief had made

the policy, on the ground that the risk was hazardous in the extreme.

But it was Profitable.

Of course, Commodore Gerry did not runthe hotel. He had a fireproof residence elsewhere and rented the place to Warren F. Leland. The rental that it brought to Commodore Gerry was \$83,000 a year, and for that price he permitted a thousand men, women and children to remain in constant peril of the death that came to some of them on Friday last.

The mission from three that may occur as to put those fires out with the minimum of loss when they do occur. A mere announcement on his official word that the Windsor was a fire trap would have saved these lives. Had he said on Thursday what he said on Friday about it, the hotel would have some of them on Friday last.

Why Not Give Warning?

constant peril of the death that came to some of them on Friday last.

The only defence of the horel owner is to the Hull of the put up such fire escapes and the replaced himself everly from and their reclinical knowledge were aware protected himself eventions for maintain, and then, feeling that had protected himself eventions for maintain, and then protected himself eventions for the works, he let the people, here deless or the works, he let the people, here deless or ignorant of the terrible risk they were lightly and the protected himself eventions for the works, he let the people, here deless or ignorant of the terrible risk they were lightly and the protected himself eventions for the works, he let the people, here deless or ignorant of the terrible risk they were lightly and the people are points narrow shafts of the work of th

Commodore Gerry is a very rich man. To have torn down the death trap of which he was the owner and erected a hotel of a modern sort wherein the slightest accident world not be a superior of the sightest accident world not be a superior of the sight of the superior of the largest hotels on Broad-way. would not be sure to result in wholesale way:

slaughter was quite within his resources.

He did not have to do it and because he did not have to do it New York City is in mourning to-day, and there is a ghastly rubbish heap on heautiful Fifth avenue that hides something so ghastly that people who seemble smoke and steam still rising from it dare not give their thoughts full swing.

Who Is to Blame?

"God knows what would happen if a fire got a start late at night in that hotel. The entire department would be needed to extinguish a blaze there, and the guests would not have time to escape.

"The balls are narrow and run criss-cross There are hundreds of rooms, and the hotel is slways a busy one, full of guests.

"The building is a very large one, and old, and a verifable tinder box. God alone could save the human beings caught in such

stelry where price was hardly considered as to have no means of preventing the maintenance of a menace to human life as believing that Chief Bonner was trying to the Windsor Hotel was a death trap. great as an ordinary pestilence, even that Chief of the Fire Department Bonner has so does not relieve Fire Chief Bonner of the tion of Friday's crime there is no room for stated; Chief of the Building Department moral responsibility for its existence. He besitancy. Brady has so stated; the insurance people saysnowtha t the Windsor was notoriously The contingency involved in the suggest-

allowed to do business right along.

Somebody was to blame for that. The walls and the presence of wooden girders hotel belonged to Commodore Gerry, who is and all the other elements that made it a

#### dore Gerry knew that the Windsor was a Why should the fire chief wait until SCANNEL SAYS BUILDING the building was an ash-heap and its vie LAWS NEED REVISION.

borror.

There is no question of Commodore GerThy's guilty knowledge. It was his house wealth, able to live practically where they

Regulations Governing Hotels Are Altogether Inadequate.

requires persons owning buildings completed.

The work will continue night and day worked in constant danger from the threat-for the material with which so roofs are now covered. These tar a revery inflammable, and yet we brick was all that was left yesterday, of the protection from the threat-form the protection from the threat worked in constant danger from the threat-form of 132.

A formiess mass of smoking, steaming soins of gas.

Fifth avenue was filled with littered brick was all that was left yesterday, of the protection from the threat-form the protection from the pro

### FORMER LESSEE HAWK HAD ALWAYS FEARED IT be made at removing the debris, and they Dooner, were an

Who is to Blame?

Why did not Commodore Gerry have to make his Windsor building a safe human being caught in such habitation?

Answer that question and you will have answered the next, which is, "Who is to biame?"

The Windsor was a fire trafp. Such an ediffice could not be put up within the limits of New York to-day," said Fire Chief Chair Bonner that there is anything in his trophs.

The building is a very large one, and did, and a verliable tinder box. God alone were the human beings caught in such a trap. I always regard with dread any habitation?

Mr. Hawk of Hawk & Wetherhee, lessess of the Windsor, said yesterding that he was simply overcome with the dreadful its kind in the city."

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GOOLING OFF THE RUINS OF THE WINDSOR HOTEL.

ingly during all the rain and sleet of vesterday, delving and digging into the ruins of the Windsor Hotel, in the search for bodies of vio-

## It is impossible that from fifteen to a hundred persons should die a frightful nothing but make the proprietor put up death and that forty others should be the fire escapes, which was done," said Superintendent of Buildings Thomas J. Brady. If the law is as monstrously inadequate possibly his motives would be misconstrued. DYNAMITE USED TO BLOW DOWN WALLS.

knew it, and yet the Windsor Hotel was unsafe and unfit, a death trap of the worst lon may seem unpleasant to the fire chief. A Few Valuables Turned Up, but the Mass of Debris Is Still Too Hot to Permit of Laborers Digging in It Yet. The Work Is Dangerous, Because of the Remnants of Wall That Totter

Menacingly Above the Searchers' Heads.

I T is expected that by noon to-day 2,000 noon the number was increased to nearly into an interior court, and there met their and lost, crept into the wreckage yestermed will be at work on the smoking debris of the Windsor Hotel.

Last night the number was increased from 200 to 800.

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An interior court, and there met their and lost, crept into the wreckage yestermed death, and it is to avoid throwing more day, it is more likely that it actually rewrickage into this court that no effort is to be made, unless its condition becomes by the streams of water poured near the chiral corner.

An interesting feature of yesterday's hap-

that as soon as be neared of the fire be took tear down the fragments of wall on the smoke almost sufficiented them, showing train for the city. He is in a gating be causes which below the fire and says

present regulations require that splendid Windsor Hotel. Here and there a wreckage, as were Forty-sixth and Fortyoom in a hotel should have a rope beam lay among the wreckage, but there seventh streets, and the 200 men began ascolumn with a crash.

At two or three points narrow shafts of presultion, but sometimes many will be saved by just this fittle bit of bave given this matter great attended expect to make some recommendate proper to the fire will form to the fire will form to the fire engues were.

Fire Engines Still at Work.

Several fire engues worked at the some will be water to the site of the fire escape. He then will form the rule and the fire secape the proper of listing to the fire escape. He then will derive the ment of the fire escape. He then will derive the ment of the fire escape.

daybreak this part of the task would be completed.

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The work will continue night and day till this morning will work on the policemen, firemen and watchers retreated to a safe distance, a battery was touched and a sharp explosion would take place.

One Column Thrown Down:

The chairman of the Board of Fire Comparison of the Board of F

would take place.

One Column Thrown Down!

Most of these attempts were futile, but the control of the control